PATENT APPLICATION

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For: FIBER GRATING OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

4. (Amended)Device according to claim 2, wherein the monomeric and/or oligomeric

precursor materials of said polymeric material display an anisotropic behaviour.

8. (Amended)Method for manufacturing a device according to claim 1, comprising the following steps:

forming a diffraction grating area along an optical axis of an optical fibre